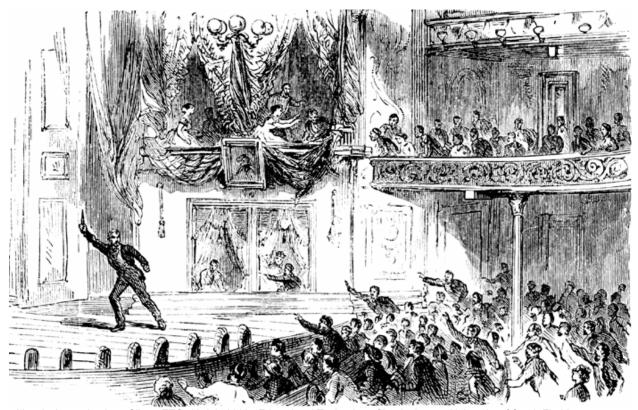
The Assassination



Lincoln Assassination. Clipart ETC. 18 July 2008. Educational Technology Clearinghouse. University of South Florida. http://etc.usf.edu/clipart>

March 17, 1865

John Wilkes Booth's plot to kidnap Lincoln is foiled by Lincoln's failure to show up at the soldiers' hospital where Booth planned to carry out the kidnapping.

April 14,1865

Booth fires his derringer the President while Lincoln, his wife Mary Todd Lincoln, Maj. Henry R. Rathbone, and his fiancée Clara Harris are in a private box in Ford's Theater viewing a special performance of *Our American Cousin*. Entering through the President's left ear, the bullet lodges behind his right eye, leaving him paralyzed.

Booth leaps from the box on to the stage, declaring "Sic simper tyrannis" and breaking his right fibula.

Nearly simultaneously, Lewis Paine twice slashes Secretary of State William Henry Seward's throat while the Secretary lies in bed recovering from a carriage accident. A metal surgical collar prevents the attack from accomplishing its deadly objective.

Believing his attempt successful, Paine fights his way out of the mansion.

Dr. Charles Leale examines the President.

Lincoln is moved to a boarding house, now called the Peterson House, across

2 of 2

from the theater on 10th Street.

Co-conspirator George Atzerodt fails to carry out the plan to assassinate Vice President Andrew Johnson.

Booth and accomplice David Herold flee to southern Maryland.

April 15, 1865 At 7:22 AM Lincoln dies in the Peterson House.

Dr. Samuel Mudd sets Booth's broken leg.

April 26, 1865 Lieutenant Edward Doherty, commanding a detachment of cavalry, takes

Booth and Herold in a tobacco barn near Bowling Green, Virginia.

Herold surrenders.

Corporal Boston Corbett shoots and kills John Wilkes Booth.

May 10, 1865 David Herold, Lewis Paine, George Atzerodt, Mrs. Mary Surratt (owner of the

boardinghouse where the conspirators met), Edman Spangler, Michael O'Laughlin, Samuel Arnold, and Dr. Samuel Mudd are tried by an army military commission as a co-conspirator in the assassination of Abraham

Lincoln.

Atzerodt, Herold, Paine, and Surratt are sentenced to death.

Arnold, O'Laughlin, Spangler, and Mudd are sentenced to prison terms.

July 7, 1865 Atzerodt, Herold, Paine, and Surratt are hanged at the Old Penitentiary in

Washington.

1869 President Andrew Johnson pardons Arnold, Spangler, and Mudd.

For more information, check these links.

http://www.historic-lamott-pa.com/content/lincolnsassassination/assasination.cfm

http://www.thelincolnlegacy.org/timeline/hours.htm